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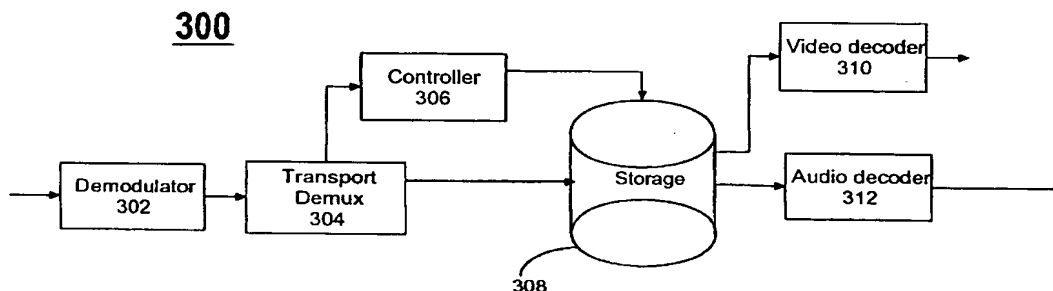
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(57) **Abstract:** Method for providing video on demand (VoD) using an MPEG-2 transport stream. The method includes receiving at a VoD player (300) a plurality of program segments (200), each corresponding to a fractional part of an entire program. The method further includes the step of receiving at the VoD player a key table (201) containing packet count information corresponding to the number of data packets contained in at least one of the program segments. Finally, an end point of at least one of the program segments is identified by counting a number of data packets that are decoded for playback.

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